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# Arizona Department of Agriculture Sponsors "First Ever In Arizona" Pesticide Disposal

(Phoenix) – Farmers and Ranchers will have the opportunity to dispose of unusable pesticides, without harming the environment. This is a pilot program between the Environmental Protection Agency and the Arizona Department of Agriculture. Those who will be dropping off their pesticides have already pre-registered to allow the EPA ample time to find a waste contractor capable of properly disposing of the material. The pesticides to be brought in include insecticides, herbicides and fungicides.

#### **Important**

Only farmers and ranchers who have pre-registered may bring what they are pre-registered to bring. This is **not** a chance for the public to bring a container of common household or plant pesticides.

### Visuals and Sounds

- See a waste contractor actually prepare lump sums of chemicals for disposal.
- Watch as hundreds of pounds of pesticides are brought in and unloaded.
- Live interviews with Associate Director, Jack Peterson, about this disposal and the pesticides themselves.

#### When

August 17, 2006 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.

#### Where

Dune Company 2948 S. Ave. 7E Yuma, Arizona